REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully solicited.

Claims 1, 3, and 5 through 10 are pending, with Claim 1 being independent. Claim 1 has been amended.

Claims 1, 3, and 5 through 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd paragraph, as being indefinite. All rejections are respectfully traversed, and are submitted to have been obviated by the amendment of the claims in a manner earnestly believed to avoid the grounds of rejection, viz, the objected-to text has been deleted.

The dependent claims are also submitted to be patentable because they set forth additional aspects of the present invention and are dependent from independent claims discussed above. Therefore, separate and individual consideration of each dependent claim is respectfully requested.

Applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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